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SB 1270: open meetings; capacity
Sponsor: Senator Kavanagh, LD 3
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Overview

Specifies changes to public meetings and proceedings regulations.

History

Currently, all meetings of any public body must be public meetings and all persons desiring to attend and listen to deliberations and proceedings must be permitted ([A.R.S. § 38-431.01](#)).

Currently, agendas required under public meeting laws must list the specific matters to be discussed, considered or decided at the meeting. The public body must only consider matters listed on the agenda ([A.R.S. § 38-431.02](#)).

A *Public Body* is the Legislature, all boards and commissions of Arizona or a political subdivision. It includes all multimember governing bodies of departments, agencies and institutions of Arizona. Additionally, it includes all corporations and entities whose boards of directors are appointed or elected in Arizona. Finally, it includes all commissions and public entities established by the Arizona Constitution ([A.R.S. § 38-431](#)).

Provisions

1. Requires schools, school boards, executive boards and municipalities (Entities) to provide sufficient seating to accommodate the anticipated attendance of the deliberations and proceedings of a public body. (Sec. 1)
2. Stipulates that Entities are not required to relocate a meeting outside of the largest regular meeting room available. (Sec. 1)
3. Exempts meetings through technological devices from agenda posting requirements. (Sec. 2)
4. Requires the agenda of the public meeting to include notice of the time that the public will have physical access to the meeting place. (Sec. 2)

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